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To: restructure.sizestandards@sba.gov
Subject: Please keep the old rules.
Dear Sir/Madam:

According to SBIR Legislation, the main federal agencies (DoD, DoE, etc) give 2.5% of the federal R&D dollars to small companies (less than 500 employees). For the past years, more than 15,000 projects of the SBIR programs have significantly increased diversity of technical ideas in government projects and have supported employment of many high-qualified Americans.

Currently venture companies and biotech lobbyists push the change would allow participation in SBIR programs for small companies that are owned or controlled by large companies. These changes would have the certain damaging effect on all SBIR Programs. It is easy to predict that soon the majority of awardees of SBIR programs would be controlled by large companies which currently tend to move high-tech jobs abroad. As a result, the government would be limited in the choice of technical ideas by few deliverables of large companies and many small businesses will disappear without support of their activity by SBIR programs and many Americans would become unemployed.

I ask you to stop such legislation changes.

Sincerely,

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